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On October 19 post delivered reftel points, diplomatic note and aide-memoire to Margarida Figueiredo and Goncalo Motta of the Portuguese Ministry of Foreign Affairs' Office of Technical and Economic Issues, who confirmed that Portugal will not be a candidate for the International Maritime Organization Council in the upcoming election but had no other substantive reply.

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